

**The Texas A&M System Health Science Center
Undergraduate, Graduate and Professional Admission Requirements
Academic Year 2009-10: Effective Fall Semester 2009**

CAMPUS/ Programs	Application Form	Bachelor's Degree	Official College Transcripts	Undergraduate Cumulative GPA	GRE⁺	GMAT⁺ (Business)	International Requirements⁺⁺	Letters of Recommendation (LOR) / Other
<i>Under-graduate</i>								
Baylor College of Dentistry Dental Hygiene Program (B.S.)	Yes \$35 non- refundable (N-R) fee	Not applicable	Official transcript from all institutions of higher education attended	Completion of required courses with GPA as high as possible. Admission is competitive	Not applicable	Not appli- cable	TOEFL: Minimum score of 550; (550 paper; 213 computer; 80 or higher internet). Score a 6.0 overall band score on the Academic Module of the International English Language (IEL) Testing Exam	Three LOR required and TSI assessment. Also, interview, comprehensive biographical sketch, and immunization and physical required.
<u>College of Nursing Generic and Accelerated Programs (B.S.N.)</u>	<u>Yes \$50 non- refundable fee</u>	<u>Not required for generic applicants but must complete 58 SCHs of prerequisite coursework</u> <u>Required for accelerated applicants</u>	<u>Official transcript from all institutions of higher education attended</u>	<u>Admission is competitive.</u> <u>Applicants are required to have a minimum cumulative grade point average of a 3.0 and a minimum grade of "C" in each of the prerequisite courses</u>	<u>Not applicable</u>	<u>Not appli- cable</u>	<u>TOEFL: Minimum score of 550; (550 paper; 213 computer; 80 or higher internet). Score a 6.0 overall band score on the Academic Module of the IEL Testing Exam</u>	<u>Require two recommenda- tion forms; one must come from professor</u> <u>Essay required</u>

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<i>Graduate/ Professional</i>								
Baylor College of Dentistry Graduate Dentistry (Cert./M.S.)	Yes (MATCH, PASS applications required for some programs) \$35 N-R fee; a \$100 N-R fee is required of international applicants	Requirements vary for specific graduate programs	Official transcript of all undergraduate & graduate work from previously attended institutions	A minimum total GPA of 2.7 & a record of study & experience which is predictive of success in advanced education; for some programs, acceptable scores on the National Board Examination	Acceptable scores required on GRE or on other national tests approved by graduate program	Not appli- cable	TOEFL: Minimum score of 550; (550 paper; 213 computer; 80 or higher internet). Score a 6.0 overall band score on the Academic Module of the IEL Testing Exam ECE: International applicants required to have independent grade audit conducted by ECE.	LOR Required; Approval for admission from the Program Admissions Committee and the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies
Baylor College of Dentistry D.D.S.	Yes; Online at website of TMDSA. ¹ All materials sent to Application Service, except BCD Secondary Application	Not required but current competitive level dictates BA or BS from accredited college or university prior to matriculation	Official transcript of all undergraduate & graduate work from previously attended institutions	Completion of required courses with GPA as high as possible (90 SCH's minimum/ BA or BS degree recommended); Dental Admission Test (DAT) scores; admission is competitive	Not applicable	Not appli- cable	At least 90 SCHs from a fully accredited college or university in the U.S. or its territories including specific subject requirements. Degree preferred. TOEFL: Minimum score: of 550 (550 paper; 213 computer; 80 or higher internet). Score a 6.0 overall band score on the Academic Module of the IEL Testing Exam	LOR from practicing dentist, health professions advisor or committee letter; Also interview, Comprehensive bio-graphical sketch. Observation of a general dentist and community service experiences.

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College of Medicine Combined M.D./Ph.D.	Yes American Medical College Admission Service (\$160 for the first school) College of Medicine Secondary Application \$50 N-R fee	At least 90 SCHs from a fully accredited college or university in the US or its territories including specific subject requirements. Degree preferred.	Official transcript of all undergraduate & graduate work from previously attended institutions	Completion of set core curriculum with competitive GPA & MCAT scores required Not applicable	Not applicable	Not appli- cable	At least 90 semester credit hours from a fully accredited college or university in the US or its territories including specific subject requirements. Degree preferred. TOEFL: Minimum score of 550 (550 paper; 213 computer; 80 or higher internet). Score a 6.0 overall band score on the Academic Module of the IEL Testing Exam	One letter from health professions advisor; or two letters from current/former Professors. Personal interview required.
College of Medicine M.D. See note on page 7 Partnership for Primary Care	Yes: TMDSA ¹ (\$55 for the first school) College of Medicine Secondary Application \$50 N-R fee	At least 90 semester credit hours from a fully accredited college or university in the US or its territories including specific subject requirements. Degree preferred.	Official transcript of all undergraduate & graduate work from previously attended institutions	Completion of set core curriculum with competitive GPA & MCAT scores required	Not applicable	Not appli- cable	At least 90 SCHs from a fully accredited college or university in the US or its territories including specific subject requirements. Degree preferred. TOEFL: Minimum score of 550 (550 paper; 213 computer; 80 or higher internet). Score a 6.0 overall band score on the Academic Module of the IEL Testing Exam	One letter from health professions advisor; or two letters from current/former Professors. Personal interview required.

¹ TMDSA = Texas Medical Dental School Application

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Irma Lerma Rangel College of Pharmacy (COP) Pharm.D.	Yes \$100 N-R fee	Degree not required. Minimum of 72 SCHs college credit from a regionally- accredited college or university.	Official transcripts from each academic institution attended. Transcripts in English.	Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher and a 50 percent minimum score on the Pharmacy College Admission Test (PCAT)	Not applicable	Not appli- cable	An official TOEFL score of 550 (213 or higher computer-based, 80 or higher internet) Score a 6.0 overall band score on the Academic Module of the I E L Testing Exam	Three completed LOR forms in sealed envelopes; at least two of these references should be from college professors. Personal interview required.
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences Ph.D. or M.S.	Yes Domestic: \$50 N-R fee. (The Medical Sciences program does not charge a fee for domestic applications.) International: \$75 N-R fee	Bachelor's degree in appropriate discipline	Official college transcripts from each academic institution attended beyond high school	Minimum GPA of 3.0 or better in an appropriate discipline expected; specific requirements vary slightly by component	Required Verbal + Quantita- tive	Not appli- cable	TOEFL of 550 or better OR 213 (computer based; 80 or higher internet) or 450 (verbal GRE) OR Score a 6.0 overall band score on the Academic Module of the IEL Testing Exam	Three LOR Forms Required

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School of Rural Public Health M.H.A	Yes: SOPHAS/ SRPH Graduate Admissions Form; \$ <u>95</u> N-R fee; \$ <u>95</u> N-R fee for international students	Bachelor's or professional degree from an accredited college or university	Official transcripts from each academic institution attended since high school	Minimum GPA of 3.0 or better in the last 60 semester hours or cumulative.	Official scores required - GRE or GMAT	Official scores required - GRE or GMAT	TOEFL score of <u>587</u> or higher (paper; <u>95</u> or higher internet). Score a 6.5 overall band score on the Academic Module of the IEL Testing Exam. Transcripts in English & <u>WES/ECE</u> <u>Transcript Analysis.</u>	Three LOR forms required from persons who are familiar with the applicant's professional and/or academic performance
School of Rural Public Health (SRPH) M.P.H.	Yes: SOPHAS/ SRPH Graduate Admissions Form; \$ <u>95</u> N-R fee; \$ <u>95</u> N-R fee for international students	Bachelor's or professional degree from an accredited college or university	Official transcripts from each academic institution attended since high school	Minimum GPA of 3.0 or better in the last 60 semester hours or cumulative.	Official scores required.	Not appli- cable	TOEFL score of <u>587</u> or higher (paper; <u>95</u> or higher internet). Score a 6.5 overall band score on the Academic Module of the IEL Testing Exam. Transcripts in English & <u>WES/ECE</u> <u>Transcript Analysis.</u>	Three LOR forms are required from persons who are familiar with the applicant's professional and/or academic performance. Interviews permitted but not required.

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School of Rural Public Health M.S.P.H	Yes: SOPHAS/ SRPH Graduate Admissions Form; \$ <u>95</u> N-R fee; \$ <u>95</u> N-R fee for international students	Bachelor's or professional degree from an accredited college or university	Official transcripts from each academic institution attended since high school	Minimum GPA of 3.0 or better in the last 60 semester hours or cumulative.	Official scores required	Not appli- cable	TOEFL score of <u>587</u> or higher (paper; <u>95</u> or higher internet). Score a 6.5 overall band score on the Academic Module of the IEL Testing Exam. Transcripts in English & <i>WES/ECE Transcript Analysis.</i>	Three LOR forms required from persons who are familiar with the applicant's professional and/or academic performance
School of Rural Public Health Ph.D.	Yes: SOPHAS/ SRPH Graduate Admissions Form; \$ <u>95</u> N-R fee; \$ <u>95</u> N-R fee for international students	Bachelor's or professional degree and relevant master's degree containing research training from an accredited college or university	Official transcripts from each academic institution attended since high school	Competitive GPA.	Official scores required - GRE or GMAT	Official scores required - GRE or GMAT	TOEFL score of <u>587</u> or higher (paper; <u>95</u> or higher internet). Score a 6.5 overall band score on the Academic Module of the IEL Testing Exam. Transcripts in English & <i>WES/ECE Transcript Analysis.</i>	At least three LOR forms required from persons who are familiar with the applicant's professional and/or academic performance
School of Rural Public Health Dr. P.H.	Yes: SOPHAS/ SRPH Graduate Admissions Form; \$ <u>95</u> N-R fee; \$ <u>95</u> N-R fee for international students	Bachelor's or professional degree and relevant master's degree from an accredited college or university	Official transcripts from each academic institution attended since high school	Competitive GPA.	Official scores required - GRE	Not appli- cable	TOEFL score of <u>587</u> or higher (paper; <u>95</u> or higher internet). Score a 6.5 overall band score on the Academic Module of the IEL Testing Exam. Transcripts in English & <i>WES/ECE Transcript Analysis.</i>	At least three LOR forms required from persons who are familiar with the applicant's professional and/or academic performance

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Column Heading Explanations

NOTE: Special Program:

Partnership for Primary Care. Entrance into the A&M System HSC medical school is assured at the time of entrance into one of the seven A&M System partner schools provided that the student has a high school GPA of 3.50 or higher, be predicted to graduate in the top 10% of the high school class, and present SAT scores of at least 1200 or an ACT equivalent. Students also need to maintain a yearly 3.50 GPA while in College and complete the required courses for medical school. Students must complete an undergraduate degree. The MCAT test is waived for students in the Partnership for Primary Care program.

- + Evaluated in a manner which complies with HB 1641 (77th Session, Texas Legislature)
- ++ Applicants whose native language is not English must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). All international students (who are not citizens or permanent US residents) are required to be covered under the Student Health Insurance Plan or have equivalent insurance coverage as described in System Regulation 26.99.01. All applicants from non-English speaking countries must present a score on the TOEFL of 550 paper or the equivalent for computer or internet (Skills scores are under review and applicants taking the internet based test will have their scores reviewed on a case by case basis in concert with the remainder of their file.) In order to be admitted to graduate studies, submit international transcripts translated in English by a certified English translator, which can usually be accomplished at the nearest American Embassy in the student's country. International transcripts for all HSC components are evaluated by and any required fees are paid to the Texas A&M University International Students and Services Office (<http://international.tamu.edu/iss/>).

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